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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

The undersigned hereby petitions for an extension of time to respond to the Official Action of October 19, 2005,

from the second to third month, to April 19, 2006.

Please charge the extension fee of \$285 to Deposit Account No. 25-0120. If this fee is insufficient, the Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional extension fee to Deposit Account No. 25-0120. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

A responsive paper is filed herewith.

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